



# Knox 8<sup>th</sup> Grade Summer Reading-LEVEL (2022-2023)



**Purpose:** We believe (and research shows) that reading opens doors of opportunity for students. Reading is powerful. Ideas are powerful. We want those doors to be open for OUR students in the future, but this does not happen overnight. Like many complex tasks, building reading skills takes *time* and *repeated practice*. Reading over the summer helps students to continue building these skills. Below are some ideas for how to do this.

## What Should I Read?

- A book that interests you
- A book that is good fit for you as a reader.
  - Video Link: [Choosing a Book for You](#)
- A book that fits with your family’s values

*Parents & Guardians: Please review this information with your child to help him/her choose a book that fits with your family’s values.*

Below are some suggested titles that you might find interesting, but if these are not a good fit, choose another book that works for you!

Click on the cover of a book to go to the Amazon page to read a brief overview and an excerpt.



<p><i>Patina</i> by Jason Reynolds</p> 	<p><i>The Boy Who Dared</i> by Susan Campbell Bartoletti</p> 	<p><i>Renegades</i> by Marissa Meyer</p> 	<p><i>Crossover</i> (GRAPHIC NOVEL) by Kwame Alexander</p> 
<p><i>Restart</i> by Gordon Korman</p> 	<p><i>A Night Divided</i> by Jennifer Nielsen</p> 	<p><i>Red Queen</i> by Victoria Aveyard</p> 	<p><i>The Lost Hero</i> (GRAPHIC NOVEL) by Rick Riordan</p> 

## What Should I Think about As I Read?

When you are reading for enjoyment, one important thing to think about is your reactions. This can help you feel connected to what you are reading and help you understand it better. Here are some questions that might help you.

- How do you feel when you are reading the book?
- Which parts bring up the strongest emotions for you? Which emotions?
- Why did you feel that way?

*In Conroe ISD, we encourage all students to read over the summer in order to enrich learning and provoke thought. Summer reading strengthens reading skills, increases academic achievements, fosters a love for reading, and empowers students to become lifelong learners.*